

TOPIC Airfields in Austria

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the following information was received on
Soviet-occupied airfields in Austria:

Location	Date of Observation	Observation and Evaluation
Wiener- Houstadt (O 48/X 34)	19 January 1952	After 3 p.m. on 19 January 1952, individual jet planes practiced flying over the Wiener-Houstadt airfield. At 4:10 p.m., a twin- engine plane with a double rudder assembly towed a large and a small sleeve target over the field on a rope about 50 meters long. 25X1
	21 January 1952	Source observed 35 single-engine jet planes, 22 single-engine fighters, 4 Pe-2s, and 3 biplanes. There was no air activity. There was a 3/10 overcast. No changes were observed in the former Artillerie and Nach- richten Kaserne. 25X1
Bad Voerslau (O 48/X 36)	29 January 1952	Source observed 11 Pe-2s and 4 Li-2s, at Bad Voerslau airfield. There was a 5/10 overcast. No air activity was observed. Voerslau Castle was guarded by soldiers wearing black-bordered red epaulets. No change was observed in the occupation of the other air force installations in Bad Voerslau. 25X1

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At a road intersection in Bad Voeslau there was a German sign pointing toward the field with the following: "CSR Aerolinie, oesterreichische Zoll- und Passabfertigung" (CSR Air Line, Customs and Passport Control). (2)

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Goetzendorf
(P 49/X 57)

31 January 1952

34 Pe-2s, 3 single-engine planes, 2 Tu-2s, and 1 biplane at Goetzendorf airfield. There was no flying. The weather was 6/10 overcast.

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Woolfaxing
(P 49/X 48)

24 January 1952

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44 Pe-2s and 1 biplane at Woolfaxing airfield. There was no flying. The sky was overcast and the field was covered with snow. Truck went to the field. No AAA emplacements were observed in the billeting area. Altkettenhof near Schwachat (P 49/X 48) was occupied by air force soldiers. The guards also wore air force epaulets. The motor vehicle sheds in the yard were torn down. No motor vehicles were observed. There were no indications of the presence of AAA positions.

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Parndorf
(P 48/X 77)

31 January 1952

Unoccupied.

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Bierbaum
(O 49/S 00)

1 February 1952

Unoccupied.

Liesing
(O 49/X 30)

6 February

It appeared that the occupation of the Liesing air force installations was unchanged.

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Comments.

- (1) The occupation at Lienen-Neustadt airfield has not changed. The information that the Pe-2s at the field are utilized to tow air sleeves is credible. However, it is reported for the first time that two air sleeves are towed by one plane.
- (2) The number of Pe-2s assigned to the air reconnaissance regiment in Bad Voeslau has continually decreased during the preceding months. No reason is known for this reduction. It is possible that the aircraft have been transferred to a rear area to be reequipped or overhauled. Bad Voeslau is probably also used by aircraft of a Czech airline.
- (3) Goetzendorf airfield is still occupied by a bomber regiment.

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- (1) The occupation of Zwolfaxing aircraft by a bomber regiment has not changed. It is believed that the AAA units which were stationed in the billeting area of the Zwolfaxing airfield and in Altkettenhof near Schwechat were transferred. Their new locations are not known.

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